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THE HON. SRI D. SANJIVAYYA :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) The Public Service Commission first invited applications for six vacancies. Subsequently, in April 1952, Government sanctioned the special recruitment of 100 Senior Inspectors. As, in response to its advertisement for six vacancies, the Commission received applications from about 570 candidates for the post of Senior Inspectos, it did not call for fresh applications for filling up the later vacancies.

" (*c*) 106, Sir.

" (*d*) 106 were appointed by the Registrar."

Co-operative societies for handloom weavers.

* 613 *Q.*—SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(*a*) what steps have been taken to implement the scheme for helping handloom weavers by formation of co-operative societies, promised by the Hon. Minister for Finance in his last Budget speech ;

(*b*) the amount of money advanced or utilized for this scheme ; and

(*c*) the number of co-operative societies formed and the number of members enrolled and benefited ?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" (*a*) In June 1952, the Government sanctioned a Scheme for the relief of distress among handloom weavers in this State through the agency of co-operative societies. The Scheme assures the weavers of a subsistence wage and of continuous employment and also relieves them from the burden of marketing of cloth as far as possible. According to the scheme, weavers outside the co-operative fold have been admitted into the existing weavers' co-operative societies by advancing them interest-free loans at the rate of Rs. 25 each to enable them to pay the necessary share capital. The scheme has so far been introduced in 17 districts.

" (*b*) A sum of Rs. 1,21,610 has been disbursed towards interest-free loans. The central banks advanced a sum of Rupees 23,90,802 towards working capital to the weavers' co-operative societies working the relief scheme.

" (*c*) The following new societies were organized under the scheme besides working the scheme in some of the existing societies :—

(1) Chambal Weavers' Co-operative Society—Malabar district.

(2) Peria Veerasinghli Weavers' Co-operative Society—Coimbatore district.

(3) Jakkampatti Weavers' Co-operative Society—Madurai district,

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Five thousand and eight weavers who were outside the co-operative fold have been admitted in all the weavers' co-operative societies working the relief scheme. In all, 25,021 weavers have benefited by the relief scheme in the State."

Cost of publishing " Five-Year Development Plans " in regional languages.

* 614 *Q.*—Sri P. RANGASWAMI REDDIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(*a*) the cost of publishing the books " Five-Year Development Plans " in regional languages of each district;

(*b*) whether the Government earned any profit by sales of those books and if so, the approximate amount; and

(*c*) whether the Government noticed any inaccuracies in those publications?

The Hon. Dr. M. V. KRISHNA RAO:—" (*a*) The actual cost of production of the districtwise pamphlets entitled ' Five Years Progress ' was Rs. 4,79,431.

" (*b*) No. The price fixed was very nominal and there was no intention of making any profit.

" (*c*) No glaring inaccuracies in these publications have been brought to the notice of the Government."

Deputy Collectors promoted as Collectors.

* 615 *Q.*—Sri K. M. SEETHI: Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of Deputy Collectors promoted as Collectors in the past three years;

(*b*) the number of Muslim Deputy Collectors, if any, so promoted; and

(*c*) the number of Muslim Deputy Collectors available for promotion during that period?

The Hon. Sri C. RAJAGOPALACHARI:—" (*a*) Twelve Deputy Collectors were promoted as Collectors or to equivalent posts since 1950 to date.

" (*b*) One Muslim Deputy Collector was pomoted as Collector during this period.

" (*c*) A Deputy Collector becomes available for promotion as Collector when he has attained sufficient experience and made good record in his work. Actual promotion depends also on suitable vacancies. It may be presumed that the promotion of one Muslim Deputy Collector satisfied these conditions. May I take this opportunity to deprecate questions based on the idea of communal representation in making promotions in the public services? "